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Subject: Replacement Pages for Dental Program Billing Instructions

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide replacement pages for the Medical Assistance Administration's (MAA) Dental Program Billing Instructions as stated in Numbered Memorandum 00-61 MAA, issued on October 16, 2000.

Numbered Memorandum 00-61 MAA, issued October 16, 2000, stated:

"Effective for claims with dates of service on and after January 1, 2001, MAA will begin using the American Dental Association's (ADA) CDT-3 procedure codes in place of the CDT-2 procedure codes.

For dates of service on and after January 1, 2001, providers must submit dental claims using CDT-3 codes on the ADA claim form. Providers must continue to bill MAA using CDT-2 codes for claims with dates of service prior to January 1, 2001.

State-unique procedure codes and CPT^{TM} procedure codes listed in MAA's <u>Dental Program Billing Instructions</u> remain unchanged.



Note: State-unique procedure codes consist of four numbers followed by an alpha D (example: 0122D). This differs from the CDT-3 procedure code format that begins with the alpha D followed by four numbers (example: D0120). Provider's billing systems must have the capability of placing an *alpha* character in the first or the last position of the procedure code field."

Attachments: Pages J5-J30, L1-L4, N1-N15 for Dental Program Billing Instructions,

dated July 2000.

Attention Access to Baby and Child Dentistry (ABCD) providers!

These procedure code changes will also be applied to ADA procedure codes in the ABCD Billing Instructions. ABCD dentists may use procedure code D2336 (composite anterior crown for anterior primary teeth) which is reimbursed with the same add-on fee as the stainless steel crowns. Replacement pages for the ABCD Billing Instructions will be sent at a later date.